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City Cemetery.....	264-2637
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Lynn F. Pett Murray Parkway	
Golf Course	262-4653
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Murray Park Outdoor Pool ...	266-9321
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Administrative Office	264-2673
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Administrative Office	264-2730
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MURRAY CITY UPDATE

Mayor’s Message August 2009

The World Series is coming to Murray! August 22nd through 29th we will host the Babe Ruth World Series at Ken Price Ball Park. Many have been working for the past several years preparing for this great national event in our City. One of the bonuses of hosting the tournament here is that we will have a team of 13 year olds from Murray who will compete. The players who will represent the City have worked hard and dedicated most of their summer to practice. I believe they will be good representatives of the young people who live here.

As I think of the effort required of these players to participate in the Babe Ruth World Series, I have also focused on the many other great young people in Murray. One of my favorite things to hear on a warm summer night is the sound of neighborhood children playing hide-and-seek or kick the can. They dash up and down the streets, ducking behind fences or slipping around a big tree. I love to hear

them enjoy their games knowing they are outside, away from television and computers, getting some vigorous exercise.

Parents can inspire their children to adopt a healthy lifestyle. They can be models of physical activity by taking children along for a walk, run or bike ride. Family time spent playing non-competitive sports like frisbee and jump-rope, can help children move, as well as feel strong and refreshed. It takes a team approach of parents, teachers and others to help children develop healthy habits. I believe it helps to live in a City like ours that provides countless recreation programs, beautiful parks and trails that are accessible to everyone.

Creating a generation of smart, healthy and happy children is our responsibility. We can support this vision by helping our children eat a healthy breakfast, providing more fruits and vegetables, limiting sweetened drinks and eating meals together as a family. When we are

positive about good food choices, we open the doors to success in this venture.

Please come and join me at Ken Price Ball Park the end of August and cheer on the teams of baseball players from around the Country. When I watch them, I will be thinking of healthy, dedicated and talented youth who have had the support of their families and others allowing them to enjoy success in their effort and activity. Whether it is going to catch a ball game or participate in one, let’s all get out and have some fun.

Daniel C. Snarr

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Council Message

We recently celebrated another fabulous Fun Days in Murray. Every July 4th we start the day with a Sunrise Service, hold the parade, and finish with fireworks. During the day there were a variety of events in Murray Park. This year, many cities looked at reducing or eliminating their celebrations due to the economic down turn.

Murray chose to maintain the tradition and hold our celebration. Cities are charged with maintaining the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens. In the case of the 4th, what could be a better use of city funds than to give our citizens a day to forget the economy and all the bad news we constantly receive? Families could go to the parade, enjoy the park, and finish with a wonderful fireworks display without spending any money at all. Especially during these difficult times, it is important to provide moments where we can all escape the day to day stress of just trying to get by. The amount of money spent on Fun Days is negligible considering the thousands of people who were served when attending

part or all of the day’s activities. If the number of people along the parade route was any indication, this was one of the best attended Fun Days in recent years.

Cities provide many services that don’t pay for themselves. Our parks, the Recreation Center, and the maintenance of our roads are just a few examples. Multiple surveys have shown that all of these are services that our citizens are willing to pay for with their tax dollars. Your City Council works diligently to keep spending under control. However, we also understand and believe that it is important to provide a place for people to go and enjoy themselves, even if it is one day a year.

Thank you to all who attended Fun Days, and thank you to all who worked so hard to make it a success. It is the volunteers who donate their time, and our excellent employees who keep the costs reasonable for events like Fun Days and the many other events that Murray City sponsors. We thank our citizens for their participation for it is critical to the success of our community.

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Murray City Update

Arts and Recreation

Arts in the Park

Murray Arts in the Park will wrap up with three performances. On August 15 Ailine Touch of Polynesia will begin at 7:30 p.m., on August 21 and 22 the Salt Lake Freedom Storytelling Festival will begin at 6:00 p.m. and on September 7 the Murray Acoustic Music Festival will begin at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

Miss Murray Pageant

This year’s Miss Murray Pageant will be held at Murray High School on Saturday, September 12 beginning at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased at the door.

Museum Day

The tri-city museum tour will begin at Murray City Hall on Saturday, September 19 at 9:45 a.m. The Midvale Museum tour will start at 10:00 a.m., Riverton Crane Museum will be at 11:00 a.m. and the Murray City Museum will be at noon. The tour is \$5 and you will need to reserve a spot by calling 801-264-2589.

For more information contact Mary Ann Kirk at 801-264-2638

Heritage Center

Join the Heritage Center for exciting day trips!
Thursday, August 13 – Utah Olympic Park Museum
Monday, August 17 – Mrs. Fields Cookie Factory
Monday, August 24 – Snowbird Resort
Wednesday, September 16 – Wendover
Wednesday, September 30 – Provo Canyon/Midway

Stop by the Heritage Center for all the details on their fun summer activities.

The Heritage Center is located at 10 East 6150 South.
For additional information you may also call 801-264-2635

ACCESS TO AGENDAS OF MEETINGS OF THE MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Did you know that agendas...

- Are posted in marquees in City Hall at 5025 South State Street;
- Are posted on the City’s website at www.murray.utah.gov;
- Are faxed to anyone who requests;
- Are sent by e-mail to those who request and provide an e-mail address;
- Are available on a recorded telephone message at 264-2525;
- Are broadcast on Valley TV 17 in advance of the meeting; and
- Can be picked up weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Council Office, Room 112, in City Hall, 5025 S. State Street

Need more information? Call the Council Office at 264-2603.

Murray City Seeks Large Christmas Tree

Murray City is seeking a large spruce tree for use as the outdoor Christmas tree in front of City Hall. The tree must be a healthy spruce, at least 30 feet tall, 15 to 25 feet wide at the base, straight and symmetrical. Only trees located in Murray and the Salt Lake County area will be considered. All offers will be inspected and the best tree for the purpose will be chosen. In exchange for the donated tree, the Murray City Power’s Forestry Division will remove the tree and grind the stump free of charge. If you are interested in donating a tree, please respond by November 1, 2009. Contact Michelle at 264-2729 for information regarding this offer.



Murray City’s Christmas tree and the tree lighting ceremony are sponsored by Murray City Power and the Murray Shade Tree and Beautification Commission.



Murray City Power’s Forestry Division crew placing donated spruce tree in front of Murray City Hall.

Public Works

Recycling Phone Books

New phone directories will be delivered starting August 12 through September 1. This year you can recycle the old books by putting them into your green curbside recycling container.

Summer Roadwork

The City is taking advantage of the warm weather to do a lot of needed work. We appreciate your patience as we improve our infrastructure. Projects currently under construction and those scheduled to being later this summer include:

- Road reconstruction on 5290 South from 900 East to 1300 East
- Completion of new water, sewer, storm drain and road on Allendale
- New sewer line and road reconstruction on 1430 East and 6050 South
- New water line and road reconstruction on Silver Shadow
- Patching and sealing activities will occur in all areas of the City
- Improvements to sidewalks and disabled access ramps in various areas

Weather and time permitting road construction on:

- Creekview Circle between Creekview Drive and 600 East
- Haven chase, Havenglen, Havenmoor, Haven Oaks and Havenbrook

For more information contact our
Public Works department at 801-270-2440

Power

Public Power Celebration

Mark your calendars now for Murray City Power’s annual Public Power Celebration on September 17th. Come join Murray City’s citizens, businesses and employees in a celebration at Murray City Park from 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. Public Power week is September 13-19. This is a time when Public Power communities across America celebrate the benefits of owning and operat-

ing their own electric utilities. The celebration will be held at pavilion #5 (just south of the swimming pool). Events are free to all Murray citizens, including food, equipment and safety demonstrations, and a “Power Bucks” drawing for \$1,500 in various power-bill credits for customers of Murray City Power. Watch for more details in the PowerLines newsletter included with your utility bill.

For more information, please call 264-2729

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 1, 4, 6, 8 Nunsense, Murray Amphitheater, 8 p.m.
- 3, 5, 7 Grease, Murray Amphitheater, 8 p.m.
- 4 City Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Ailine Touch of Polynesia, Murray Amphitheater, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 City Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 21-22 Salt Lake Freedom Film and Storytelling Festival, Murray Amphitheater, 6 p.m.
- 22 Babe Ruth World Series begins, Ken Price Ball Park

SEPTEMBER

- 1 City Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 7 Acoustic Music Festival, Murray Amphitheater, 6 p.m.
- 9 Citizens’ Academy begins
- 12 Miss Murray Pageant, MHS, 7 p.m.
- 15 Primary Elections
- 17 Public Power Week Celebration, Murray Park pavilion #5, 4-6 p.m.
- 22 City Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Local Big Brothers Big Sisters office receives national award again

By Erin McShay

For over 30 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Utah has been serving the community by providing them with a mentor program that has proven to change the lives of the youths involved. This year the organization’s national office has awarded Utah the Pinnacle Award for the second year in a row. BBBS’s main Utah office is located in Murray at 151 East 5600 South.

“To get the award for the second year in a row is such an honor,” said Linda Schoot, BBBS marketing coordinator. “We are among the top 1 percent; we have the best volunteers who really have a commitment to serving our youth.”

The national office out of Philadelphia, Pa., awarded only four agencies out of the 395 across the country with the Pinnacle honor. Growth, revenue and the strength of matches were all criteria considered for the award. The Salt Lake chapter grew 7 percent from 2007 to 2008 and has had a 9 percent increase of revenue in 2009. Over 60 percent of the agency’s matches between a big and little sibling stay together for one year or longer.

The Utah branch serves 1,795 children from ages six to 18. Statistics have shown the program improves confidence, self-esteem and helps kids where they need it most, in the classroom.

Schoot said the Murray location is always looking for volunteers and said they have a large group of boys who are ready and waiting to be matched.

“These boys...really need someone to help guide them through life’s ups and downs,” Schoot said.

Next up for BBBS is their Bowl for Kids event held on Sept. 19 in Utah County. To donate to the organization or to become a volunteer, call Tabb George at 801-313-0303.



For over 30 years Big Brothers Big Sisters of Utah has provided a mentoring program to help underprivileged youths with guidance through their adolescent years.

Murray City Update

Murray City Elections Candidates

Seven of Murray’s registered voters declared their candidacy for the upcoming Fall elections. There will be a primary election on Tuesday, September 15 to narrow down the candidates for mayor to two. The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 3.

Council District Two	Council District Four	Mayor
Gary O. Merrill	Robert Orrigoni	Krista K. Dunn
Darren V. Stam	Jared A. Shaver	Michael E. Romero
		Daniel C. Snarr

The deadline to register to vote for the primary election is August 14 and for the general election, October 2. You may register on line at www.slco.org/clerk/elections or in-person in the Salt Lake County elections office located at 2001 South State Street, Suite 1100.

Ways to Vote

Permanent Vote-By-Mail

For information go to www.slco.org/clerk/elections, or call the elections office at 801-468-3427. After signing up, you will be mailed a ballot to vote which must be postmarked by the day before the election.

Primary, September 14	General, November 2
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In-Office Voting (Absentee Ballot)

Salt Lake County Elections, 2001 South State Street, Suite 1100

Primary, August 17-31	General, October 5-19
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Early Voting

Various locations including City Hall, 5025 South State Street

Primary, September 1-11	General, October 20-30
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At the Polls

Go to www.slco.org/clerk/elections to find your polling location, or call the City Recorder’s office at 801-264-2660 or 2676 or 2689.

Primary, September 15	General, November 3
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Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 a.m.

For information on City Hall hours or additional voting information, contact the City Records office at 801-264-2660 or 801-264-2676



Police

Citizens’ Academy

The Murray City Police Department will be sponsoring another session of the Citizens’ Academy which will begin on Wednesday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m. Classes will be held at the Police Training Center located at 136 West Vine Street. This program is offered free of charge. Participants must either work or live in Murray City.

The Citizens’ Academy is a ten week program designed to provide citizens with a working knowledge of the operations, practices and management of the police department. Students will learn about the service weapon carried by Murray Officers, traffic stops, drunk driving arrests and domestic violence. Other topics will include homicide investigation, gathering evidence, media relations and use of force. There will be a hands-on training in addition to classroom instruction. The Citizens’ Academy culminates with a dinner where students are presented with a certificate and shirt with the Citizens’ Academy logo embroidered on it.

Two sessions of the Academy are planned each year. Applications are being accepted at this time and are available at the police department. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and must agree to a background check.

Please contact Officer Meg Rowland at 801-652-9839 with any questions.

Animal Control

Here are some simple and common sense tips for owning a cat in Murray.

- 1) City Code requires cat owners to keep cats on their property or confine them to a leash.
- 2) Stray cats on your property can be confined and if healthy, placed for adoption. Animal Control can assist you on safe ways to confine cats.
- 3) Murray City Animal Shelter does not tolerate mistreatment and/or abuse of any animal.
- 4) Cats must be licensed.
- 5) As a first step in locating a missing pet, please call the Animal Shelter.
- 6) Murray City Animal Control Trap, Neuter and Release (TNR) program is a partnership with No More Homeless Pets of Utah (NMHPU). It is designed to protect the public’s health, reduce shelter euthanasia and solve our community feral and stray cat over-population problem, in a humane and more effective way. The TNR consists of volunteers who monitor, evaluate and provide care for the feral cat community. Cats will be trapped, evaluated, vaccinated, spayed/neutered and released back into the area. Murray City is hoping to see a drop in the number of cats entering the shelter by eliminating new litters. This program will also help people keep cats out of their yard and flowerbeds. If you would like to participate or volunteer, contact Ana from Animal Control.

For additional information contact Animal Control at 801-264-2671
5624 South 300 West - 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.